## **NEWS RELEASE**

Today's Date: Friday, February 10, 2012

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## CUESTA GRADE RETAINING WALL PROJECT BEGINS NEXT WEEK

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY** – A project to construct a retaining wall on the Cuesta Grade along southbound Hwy. 101 will begin on Tuesday, Feb. 14.

This project will result in a **long term/six month** closure of the No. 3 (far right) southbound lane of Hwy. 101 from just north of the Cuesta Grade to north of Ryan's Gate.

Bicyclists will be detoured onto Old Stagecoach Road during this project. Motorists should be aware of slower moving vehicles near the summit of the Cuesta Grade.

The contractor for this \$3.3 million project is Condon Johnson and Associates of Oakland, CA. This project is expected to be completed in December of 2012.

## Caltrans reminds motorists to move over and slow down when driving through Caltrans construction zones.

For traffic updates on other state highway projects in San Luis Obispo County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-549-3318 or visit the District 5 website at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/road\_information.htm



